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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Masaaki MUTO et al.

Application No.: 09/603,431

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**AMENDMENT TO ACCOMPANY**  
**A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

In response to the Final Office Action dated June 19, 2002 (Paper No. 6), and the Notice of Appeal filed December 18, 2002, the period for response to which extends through May 18, 2003 by a three month extension of time petitioned for herein, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph at page 12, ll. 14-24 with the following paragraph:

With metal halide lamp arc tubes for vehicle use, arc diameter indicates the range down to 20% of maximum luminance, and an arc diameter of 1.1 mm is preferred. When the arc diameter is 1.1 mm, which is smaller than an internal diameter of 1.7 mm of the arc tube at the

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